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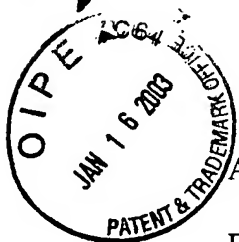
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Sir:

Prior to a first Office Action on the merits, the Applicant offers the following amendments and remarks:

In the claims:

Please amend claim 5 to read as follows:

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5. (Amended) An acoustic telemetry system comprising bi-directional communications along a plurality of transceivers attached to a string of tools in a borehole, wherein during normal operation of said transceivers, ones of said transceivers can initiate a calibration process in order to reconfigure communication parameters with another transceiver.